

REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The magazine entitled *Teazer Just 18 Special No. 3* is classified as:
Objectionable.

Teaser Just 18 Special No. 3 is a magazine mainly containing photospreads explicitly depicting naked females displaying their bodies. Other content includes readers' letters, stories and articles about sexual matters (including making video recordings), and numerous advertisements for sexual products and services. Text associated with the depicted females is of a sexual nature, as are the stories and letters. Sexual activity is described in explicit detail, often with coarse sexual vernacular and similar humour. The target audience is adult, heterosexual males. The magazine is intended to entertain, titillate and sexually stimulate the reader.

The magazine is deemed objectionable because it tends to promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The effect is cumulative. The magazine's main content is explicit photographs of naked females displaying their bodies, and particularly their genitals, for reader titillation and sexual stimulation. There is a pervasive and consistent construction of models as sexually innocent "young girls", while at the same time they are eager for sex. Some of the females have the appearance of teenage girls, and are readily interpreted as girls rather than as women.

The magazine also relates a sexual encounter between a step-father and daughter in an overtly titillatory manner intended to be sexually arousing for the reader, the result of which is, at the minimum, to support a crime in terms of s131(1)(a) of the Crimes Act.

The provisions of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 (NZBR Act) have been taken into account in determining this classification. As the publication falls under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993, it is deemed to be objectionable. A classification of "objectionable" places a limit on the right to freedom of expression as set out in s14 of the NZBR Act. However, in relation to this publication, the classification is considered to be a reasonable limit prescribed by law that can be demonstrably justified in a free and democratic society.

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